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Mary Ramos Olynick**Serial No.** 09/608,548**Our Ref. No.:** CISCPI71**Re:** Amendment C**Pages Including Cover Sheet(s):** 15**Fax Contents:** Fax Cover Sheet- 1 page  
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Amendment C- 13 pages**MESSAGE:****CONFIDENTIALITY NOTE**

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In re application of: Lincoln Dale et al.

Attorney Docket No.: CISC171

Application No.: 09/608,548

Examiner: Anita Choudhary

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Group: 2153

Title: EFFICIENT IP LOAD-BALANCING  
TRAFFIC DISTRIBUTION USING  
TERNARY CAMs**CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION**

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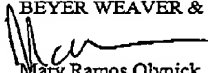
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	38	MINUS	40	0	x 9 =	x 18 = 0
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- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
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Respectfully submitted,  
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Dear Sir:

It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner enters the following amendments in response to the Office Action dated 10 August 2004, a response to which is due on 10 November 2004.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.